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Application No. 10/766,602	Filing Date: January 27, 2004
Title of Application:	Blow Molded Container Having Holes Therein and Method and Apparatus for Facilitating the Creation Thereof
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Examiner	Robert B. Davis

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This is a response to the outstanding Office Action dated April 18, 2006. Applicant believes that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this Response. However, if any fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

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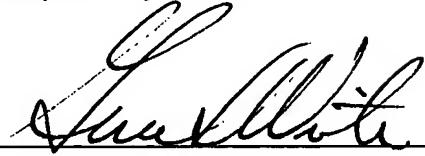
Pursuant to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group 1 for prosecution in this case at this time. Applicant confirms that claims 1-14 read thereon.

However, with respect to the assertion that groups 1 and 3 are patentably distinct inventions, this rejection is respectfully traversed. Applicant respectfully submits that that the distinction provided at page 3 of the Official Action is inapposite. Applicant notes that claims 1-14 are specifically directed to a mold for a "blow-molded container", and further, that the punches, when in the second position, do not shape the wall (i.e., "create a compression molded, non-hollow portion instead of a hole," Office Action at 3), but rather "are extended past the wall" of the container (such that a hole is created) when in the second position. Applicant therefore submits that claims 25, 26, 32, 33 are also entitled to examination at this time and respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider this restriction.

Additionally, any non-examined claims are reserved for filing in future applications.

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Respectfully submitted,



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